COMPARISON OF PROPOSED AND FINAL STATE MERCURY EMISSION STANDARDS FOR POWER PLANTS April 6, 2004

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Stringency of Standard	Cap emissions at 2001 -2002 levels Phase I -85% control efficiency or 0.0075 lbs/GWH.	No caps. 0.6 lbs/TBTU or 90% control efficiency.	Cap on emissions in 2008: current control efficiency x baseline (3 yr. Mercury coal average)	No caps 3.00 mg/MW- hr; or 90 percent control of mercury emissions; (equivalent to 0.6 lbs/Tbtu)
	Phase II -95% control efficiciency or 0.0025 lbs/GWH.		Phase I - 40 % reduction from coal Phase II - 80% reduction from coal.	
	(equivalent to approx. 0.2 lbs/TBTU			
Format of Standard	Either/or output-based emissions rate or percent reduction from input levels	Either/or heat input-based emission rate or percent reduction from input levels	Percent reduction from input levels	Output-based emissions rate or percent reduction from input levels
Compliance Deadline	Phase I - October 1, 2006 Phase II - October 1, 2012	July 2008	Phase II - 2015	December 15, 2007 if only control mercury
	(To coincide with SO2 requirements)		Thuse IT 2015	Multipollutant Option Phase I - December 15, 2007 (50%)
				Phase II - December 15, 2012 (Final compliance)
Compliance Monitoring	CEMs effective January 1, 2008	CEMs when validated by USEPA	Annual (fuel use x Hg content)	Stack testing or CEMs when validated by USEPA
Frequency of Stack Testing	Quarterly with frequency reduced to 4 of 5 quarters after compliance demonstrated each quarter for 2 years.	Quarterly with phaseout of stack tests after CEMs are employed	Annual	Quarterly with phaseout of stack tests after CEMs are employed
Other	Draft allows "off-site" reductions to provide initial flexibility; expires December 2009	Alternative limit can be developed if technology proven infeasible. Stricter standard may also be issued	Phase I waived if multipollutant approach taken. Variances for reliability, technical or economic infeasibility included. Trading among 4 utilities allowed.	Compliance deadline extended to December 15, 2012 - if an enforceable agreement with the Department by December 15, 2007, to install and operate multi-pollutant control systems by December 15, 2012;